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FM AMEMBASSY SEOUL
TO U.S. DEPT OF COMMERCE DISTRICT OFFICE
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SUBJECT: TRADE COMPLAINT AGAINST TRANS INTERNATIONAL AIRWAYS(TIA),
OAKLAND, CAL.

REF: 73 SEOUL 5654

1. THIS IS TO INFORM YOU THAT YOU MAY BE RECEIVING A TELEPHONE CALL FROM THE KOREAN OR AUSTRALIAN CONSULATE IN SAN FRANCISCO REGARDING A TRADE COMPLAINT AGAINST TIA'S OAKLAND, CAL. OFFICE. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY ADVICE OR ASSISTANCE YOU CAN APPROPRIATELY GIVE.

2. BACKGROUND OF CASE IS AS FOLLOWS. TIA HAS CONTRACT WITH ELDER SMITH GOLDSBOROUGH MORT LTD, OF ADELAIDE, AUSTRALIA TO AIR FREIGHT ONE HUNDRED AUSTRALIAN RACEHORSES TO KOREA. BUYER IS KOREA HORSE AFNAIRS ASSOCIATION, A GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION. ACCORDING TO CONTRACT, HORSES WERE TO BE SHIPPED ON MAY 25. THIS DATE WAS LATER MOVED FORWARD TO JUNE 3, BUT INDICATIONS ARE THAT THERE WILL BE FURTHER
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SLIPPAGE. REPEATED TELEPHONE CALLS AND TELEXES FROM ELDER SMITH TO OAKLAND AND TO TIA'S AUSTRALIAN AGENT HAVE YIELDED NO RESPONSE BEYOND FACT THAT AIRCRAFT IS NOT AVAILABLE AND AVAILABILITY DATE CANNOT BE DETERMINED AT THIS TIME.

3. EMBASSY SEOUL RECEIVED VISIT JUNE 1 BY REPRESENTATIVES OF ELDER SMITH AND KOREA HORSE AFFAIRS ASSOCIATION, WHO

WERE EXTREMELY AGITATED BY DELAY AS IT MEANS SUBSTANTIAL LOSS OF REVENUE FOR KOREAN BUYERS. WE EXPLAINED THAT USDOC DOES NOT NORMALLY ACT ON TRADE COMPLAINTS VS. U.S. COMPANIES AND RECOMMENDED THAT AUSTRALIAN OR KOREAN CONSULATE IN SAN FRANCISCO BE ASKED TO TAKE INITIATIVE IN DEALING WITH TIA. WE DID, HOWEVER, GIVE THEM THE ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF USDOC DISTRICT OFFICE AS POSSIBLE SOURCE OF ADVICE AND FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE.

4. FYI, KOREA HORSE AFFAIRS ASSOCIATION IS POLITICALLY INFLUENTIAL ORGANIZATION (SEE REFTTEL WTDR) AND IS UP IN ARMS AGAINST TIA OVER THIS CASE. THEY CLAIM TO BE CONSIDERING A BREACH-OF-CONTRACT SUIT. TIA MIGHT BE ADVISED THAT A DEGREE OF RESPONSIVENESS COULD BE IN ITS BEST LONG-TERM INTERESTS HERE.
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